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THE WEST - NASSER DANGEROUS CAMPAIGN

Premier Greet China

THE Prime Minister Major General Qassim sent a message of greeting to the Prime Minister of the Chinese Peoples Republic on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the foundation of CPR. The message reads:

"It is a great pleasure to me on the historical occasion of the commemoration of the 10th glorious anniversary of the National Day of the Chinese People's Republic to have the opportunity to write a message to you expressing my sentiments replete with friendship and love for you, and to send this message with a friendly mission delegated to take part, in the name of the Iraqi Republic, with the great people of China in the commemoration of your great and historical feast and to present to you and the friendly Chinese people the most sincere congratulations on behalf of myself and on behalf of the Iraqi people who harbour admiration and appreciation of your magnificent achievements.

While congratulating you on this annual National Day, we at the same time congratulate you for the great achievements of the Chinese people during the 10 years. In each of these years the Chinese people achieved more than the previous year, thanks to wise and intelligent methods of organisation and production which are deserved to be exemplary to other revolutionary and advancing nations who want to keep pace with time and to reach the liberated procession of civilisation in the world of liberation and progress.

We are confident that the spirit of friendship and co-operation will be an important factor to reach our noble aims and ensure welfare and good for our two peoples as well as strengthening the cordial ties between us which will in turn be of great benefit to both of us and assist us to smash the forces of evil and to support the cause of peace in the world.

It is a pleasure to me to have an Iraqi Embassy opened in Peking for the first time, just before your great feast, to be an active factor in our endeavours to strengthen friendly ties and promote closer and fruitful co-operation between our two countries. No doubt our Embassy in your country will get every care and assistance from you, the same as we are always trying to do as regards your dear Embassy in our country.

While we build today the basis of relations between our two advancing countries, we are regaining very old relations, cultural, economic and those of civilisation between the two countries which climbed to the summit of civilisation in a world which was plunged in ignorance, backwardness and primitiveness. Since the two high-born countries were able to cooperate and exchange benefit in the deep past centuries despite the long distance between them,

they are, undoubtedly, now more able to do so in this age in which science and civilisation have spread and distances have been shortened.

In conclusion, it pleases me to repeat that we cherish the friendship with your great Republic and to send my sincere congratulations to you and to the noble Chinese people".

CHINESE PREMIER, CHOU EN-LAI SENT A MESSAGE OF REPLY TO PREMIER QASSIM WHICH READS:

I received with great pleasure your message dated Sep. 23rd, 1959. I thank Your Excellency and the Iraqi people on behalf of the Government and people of China and myself for your congratulations replete with warm sentiments which you have expressed on the 10th anniversary of the founding of our Republic and for the achievements of our people during the 10 years. I also thank your Government for delegating your official delegation under Brig. Ahmad Mohammad Yahya, the Minister of Interior and your popular delegation under Col Fadhil Abbas al-Mahdawi, to take part in the celebrations of the 10th anniversary of the founding of our Republic. I and the other leaders of our Government were very glad to welcome them and to exchange cordial talks with them. I requested them to convey to Your Excellency and to your people, the admiration of the Chinese people for the work which Your Excellency had done and also for the Iraqi people for the preservation of national independence.

I fully share with you the desire which you have expressed in your message that cordial cooperation is the basic principle to which we adhere in our relations. The present cordial ties of co-operation between our two peoples since a very long time had developed satisfactorily after the Iraqi Revolution.

Your Government has established recently its Embassy in our country. This is, beyond any doubt, an important step towards promoting friendly ties between our two countries. Your Excellency may be confident that I and my Government will do our utmost to support all the efforts made by your embassy which will make for the strengthening of friendly relations between our two countries. I am fully confident that relations of friendship and cooperation between Iraq and China will inevitably develop and grow continually due to the fact that our relations are based on the sound foundation of the five principles of peaceful co-existence and the spirit of the Bandung Conference.

In conclusion, I repeat to Your Excellency and to the Iraqi people my sincere thanks. Wishing Your Excellency and the great Iraqi people to achieve great successes in the preservation of national independence and the development of the national economy.

Please accept my best greetings."

The West - Nasser Dangerous Campaign

WESTERN Powers, CENTO Government, and Nasser started a fresh campaign of propaganda and intimidation against the Iraqi Republic.

This is, however, not the first time they have embarked on such a campaign, usually as a prelude to a plot to overthrow the patriotic government of Iraq and reinstate a reactionary rule on the Iraqi people once more.

But it has seldom happened that schemes to assassinate leaders of other countries and to overthrow their popular regimes are talked about as quite ordinary affairs. Cairo's "Voice of the Arabs" and Nasser's mouthpiece al-Ahram are now daily calling for the assassination of the Iraqi Premier.

Abdul Hakim Amer is now dispatched to be Nasser's "strongman" in Syria. It is true that things in Syria are moving not to the liking of Nasser and the situation in that unfortunate Arab land is becoming more explosive every passing day, but UAR spokesmen have hardly disguised their intentions in posting Amer to Syria. Indeed the "Voice of the Arabs" declared on Oct. 27 that Amer had decided to send two mobile radio stations to Deir el-Zour on the Iraqi border.

Western correspondent in Syria reported of troops concentration in that area.

Nasser's propaganda network is now geared to create an atmosphere of hysteria and hatred to justify a possible intervention of UAR troops in Iraq.

Even King Hussain is being encouraged to threaten Iraq. He was reported as saying to the British News Chronicle on October 26th that he would save Iraq from Communism if "the Iraqi people wished him to."

There are other Arab and non-Arab governments that have declared their readiness to save Iraq from the "Communists."

To take a few examples from the Western Press will be sufficient to show the degree to which international affairs are reduced to the level of Cowboy gangsterism. The American News magazine, Time, reported on Oct. 19 with glee that "The United Arab Republic's campaign to topple Qassim has reached a screaming crescendo, fortnight ago Syria tough Interior Minister, Col. Abdul Hamid Serraj, presided at El-Haska with anti-Qassim Iraqi Army officers to discuss plans for Iraqi leadership should Qassim be overthrown. When the meeting was over, Sereaj flew off to Cairo immediately to report."

The Daily Telegraph correspondent reported from Damascus on October 21st that peoples in the know "are convinced that there have been significant troop movements down the Euphrates Valley. They believe that a sizeable striking force is now poised at Deir el-Zour."

"The Euphrate, flanked by roads and a railway, forms the natural approach from Syria to Baghdad.

Premier Greet U.N.O. 14th Anniversary

THE Prime Minister, Abdul Karim Qassim, in a nation-wide broadcast greeted the 14th Anniversary of the United Nation Organisation, saying "I have pleasure to address my noble fellow countrymen on this great day, and to participate with them, together with people of the whole world in celebrating this occasion."

The Premier then went on to point out the importance of the foundation of the UNO and said: "In establishing the UNO the people have taken a courageous step forward to block the road of wars, to preserve peace and security, to secure justice and equality among the peoples to raise the peoples' social and economic standard and to raise their standard of living in an atmosphere of equality and freedom". The Premier quoted part of the UNO Charter saying: "In its Charter correct principles for solving the conflicts among countries peacefully are included...". "The Iraqi Republic" the Premier said: "will continue to struggle for ever, for these principles."

"When the people of the whole world celebrate this day they are in fact celebrating this historical change which presents a new vital stage where rights of all peoples are recognised: that is freedom, independence and the non-interference in their affairs."

"The United Nations, hence, is the beginning of a new era for the progress of mankind. We have deep confidence that the efforts from all parts of the world will be united to strengthen this organisation as a means to combat the forces of evil and aggression, and a means to spread understanding, peace and friendship among the various nations."

Ending his speech the Premier said: "I call upon the peoples of the whole world to work patiently and faithfully to make the principles of this organisation a success so that justice, peace and stability will prevail in all parts of the world."

"A sudden ban has been placed on visits of diplomats to this area."

The correspondent goes on to say "It is unlikely that President Nasser intends a direct invasion of Iraq."

"But if, as now seems certain, his policy is aimed at the elimination of Gen. Qassim by one means or another, he might claim that common prudence suggests he has available a force whose mere presence would hearten the remaining anti-communist elements on the other side.

The ideal denouement for Co. Nasser would be if some recognised Pan-Arab figure in Iraq, such as Col. Arif, now under sentence of death, were able to take over the authority of the State and ask for help to restore order and save the country from the Communists."

One might dismiss this sort of reasoning as anti-Nasser prejudice on the part of the organ of the British die-hards, had it not been for Cairo's incessant campaign of incitement, infiltration and concentration of troops on the Iraqi borders.

Nasser's new game is no secret any more and he is acting as if Iraq were already an eastern region of UAR. The Iraqi Premier and people are being accused by Cairo, for having "stolen" Iraq and its revolution from its "legitimate owners."

The situation is becoming increasingly tense and may result in unforeseen consequences on the part of Nasser and his backers.

HOWEVER, there are other dark forces busily fishing in troubled waters. The Iraqi Military Governor has already made public the discovery of another plot. Details of this have not been disclosed but it may be of significance to note that negotiations between the Iraq Government and British Oil Companies were in progress when the plot was discovered.

British papers close to official circles in London made some hints of what was in store long before October 7th. The London Sunday Times threatened on August 16th that "Unless he (Qassim), gives evidence of a greater degree of leadership than he has done so far, power may go to stronger hands than his."

The U.S. interests, it seems, are satisfied to use Nasser as a lever to further their own ends. This was made clear by Senator Fulbright in a statement he made to the Press on August 31st. It was also disclosed by Allen Dulles, Chief of the Central Intelligence Agency to a closed session of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on April 28th when he declared that "Iraq was the most dangerous place in the world." He also urged the Western Powers to come to terms with Nasser who would be entrusted with the task of "saving Iraq from communism" and keeping it safe for Western investments and Oil interests.

All reactionary forces in London, Washington, Amman, Cairo and CENCO countries are baring their teeth against the Iraq Republic. Their hysterical campaign against Iraq is, however, more like a last ditch stand than a sign of strength.

Past experience has shown that only defeat can result from adventure against the Iraqi people. But it is no exaggeration to say that any attack or interference in Iraqi internal affairs may result in far-reaching consequences for peace in the Middle East and the whole world.

We will, Crush any Invader,

says Abdi

"THE investigation in the base plot is regarded as extremely successful," declared Maj.-Gen. Ahmad Saleh al-Abid, the Military Governor General and Chief of General Staff in an interview with Ittihad al-Shaab. General Abdi said in connection with the investigation of the conspiracy on the Iraqi Republic which was signalled by the attempt on the life of the Premier, that the Government was in the position of one who obtained "the box which contains everything that concerns the subject and found the key and opened the box and started revealing its contents, both the major and the trifle ones."

Asked about the recent developments in Syria and the military concentrations on the borders of Iraq, General Abdi said, "We are not afraid of the concentrations and infiltrators. We are a peaceful Republic, but we are always ready, and have all the strength and the great abilities to crush and destroy everyone who violates our borders. All our machinery and forces of all kinds are now vigilant and alert and can break and crush every traitors and aggressor. Let anyone who likes to venture try his luck and see what kind of hell awaits him."

General Abdi condemned the imperialists for incessantly engineering plots on the Iraqi Republic. He said "Imperialism never takes any comfort at a republic which has been freed from the fetters of oppression and tyranny and became independent working for the welfare of its people and the interests of its fatherland under a hero from the heart of the people, namely, the beloved leader Abdul Karim Qassim. Imperialism, as I said cannot cease and keep quiet. It always works in the dark under various facades and means. But be sure we are ready and prepared to crush any conspiracy that threatens the security of the Republic. The failure of the previous conspiracies is nothing but the outcome of this vigilance of the people and the Army. Be confident that we are convinced that our Republic shall remain powerful and invincible and shall remain a thorn in the side of the imperialists, the covetous circles and the opportunists. It will remain immortal forever free and flourishing radiating the rays of freedom, prosperity and humanism."

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Teachers' Union to Adopt Algerian Orphans

THE Teachers' Union has decided to establish a Centre in Baghdad to care for hundred children of Algerian martyrs. The Union has received a letter from the General Federation of Algerian Workers requesting the Union's help in establishing centres for Algerian orphans on the Algerian frontiers. The above decision was taken after consultation with the Minister of Education, and was communicated to the representative of the Provisional Algerian Government in Baghdad. The Union also requested information on the amount and kind of aid required in the event of deciding to build centres for Algerian orphans near the Frontiers so that the Union can also contribute to this.

New Light Industries Firm

The Light Industries Firm has now been registered at the Registrar of Companies and its shares are to be offered for sale next week. The Company will be entitled to (A) buy, construct, take on lease, employ and exploit factories and machineries required for its functioning (B) look for raw materials which it can exploit (C) manufacture, buy, sell, export and import all commodities relevant to the Company's duties (D) carry out scientific studies and technical experiments leading to improved production (E) Carry out verbal and actual arrangements required for its objectives inside and outside Iraq. The Company aims at initiating light factories such as that for domestic utensils, radio repair workshops, small plants for metal casting joints, locks, table accessories, washing machines, electrical buttons, bolts and washers.

Education Minister in Prague

THE Minister of Education and leader of the Iraqi delegation to the Socialist countries, Brig. Muhiddin Abdul Hamid arrived in Prague on October 19th. During his stay, the Minister will visit educational institutions and conduct talks with educational authorities on the strengthening of cultural relations between Iraq and Czechoslovakia. The delegation has already completed its visit to the Soviet Union, and the German Democratic Republic.

Trade Delegation

THE Iraqi Trade Delegation to the Far East, which returned on October 14th called on the Minister of Commerce and reported the results of the delegation's talks with the authorities in Pakistan, India, Burma, Indonesia, Singapore, Malaya and Ceylon. Earlier on a joint Indian-Iraqi communique was issued in Delhi regarding the talks.

Delegation for Tunisia

THE Iraqi delegation which will attend the opening of the International Fair in Tunis left Baghdad on October 15th. The head of the delegation will convey a verbal message from the Premier to President Bourguiba expressing good wishes for the welfare and prosperity of the Tunis-

Two Plots - Says Abdi

MAJOR General Ahmad Saleh al-Abdi, the Military Governor General disclosed that the authorities have uncovered another plot on the life of the Prime Minister, Maj.-Gen. Qassim. He declared that in reply to a question by al-Rai al-Amm, Baghdad evening daily. General Abdi said:

"Yes, we have discovered another sinful attempt aiming to assassinate our beloved leader. Investigation is still going on in this case."

It has not yet been disclosed as to what quarters have taken part in the second foul plot on the life of the Iraqi Premier, but it is known that the British paper, The Sunday Times had threatened on August 16th. "Unless he (Premier Qassim) gives evidence of a greater degree of leadership than he has done so far, power may go to stronger hand than his."

General Abdi also disclosed that the Iraqi authorities "received information, 10 days before the attack (on the Premier) that a military brigade of the United Arab Republic Army had been transferred to near the Iraqi borders. We also received adequate information on hostile activities across the border such as the training of volunteers, plotters and traitors. After the sinful attack, our authorities arrested in Mosul County a Syrian infiltrator carrying 75 sticks of dynamite together with other equipment for explosion and sabotage. This traitor is now before the Investigation Committee after identifying him. I believe that it has arrived at satisfactory results and facts."

The Military Governor, who is concurrently the Chief of General Staff, warned the aggressors and adventurists that the people and the Army under the leadership of Premier Qassim were on "the guard to paralyse any sinful hand extended to the soil of our dear homeland."

ian people. The Prime Minister asked the members of the delegation to stress Iraq's support to all Arab countries on the basis of mutual benefit and Arab solidarity.

Czech Mission

A Czechoslovakian mission headed by Mr. Brabec, the Minister of Internal Trade arrived in Baghdad on October 20th to attend the opening Ceremony of the first Czechoslovak Industrial exhibition. Mr. Brabec will stay here one week during which he will visit some factories and have talks with Cabinet Ministers. The Minister was welcomed at the airport by the Minister of Commerce and the staff of the Czechoslovak Embassy.

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EDITORIALS OF THE ARABIC EDITION

Friday, 16-10-1959

Stability Can Be Achieved Through Realism and Consideration of Tactics of Imperialism

EVER since the creation of our Republic, the basic task has become the safeguarding of this Republic. In view of this, the main duty of all sincere people has been to call the attention of the patriotic Government, of the people and the patriotic forces to the plots perpetrated by the enemies. These repeated warnings have been received with disfavour by some circles. We were charged with inventing plots. Some of the reactionary papers which had undertaken to prepare the minds of the people for the latest plot have even gone to the extent of claiming that the three previous plots were perpetrated by communists. Some circles considered that such warnings are creating a state of anxiety and instability.

As a matter of fact it is the successive plots that tend to create an atmosphere of instability. The imperialists know that and that is why they are fond of perpetrating one plot after the other in spite of their failure; they know they can thus confuse the political and economic situation. The same line was pursued in Syria prior to plunging her into the arms of Nasser and the Bank of Egypt.

It therefore goes without saying that the imperialists and covetous circles can never be expected to desist from plotting. To achieve stability we must start from this objective fact. Prior to the latest plot, relative stability had set in reflecting itself on the economic field. But the plot which came as a surprise to public opinion, has shaken this stability despite its failure. It was precisely the element of surprise which upset the state of stability. Ignoring or overlooking the source of danger can only create false stability in which the enemies will find the most suitable atmosphere for the passage of a plot.

Nor is our country the only one to be exposed to the intrigues and plots of imperialism; there are other liberated countries exposed to the same dangers; but these countries have made these dangers a stimulus to strengthen themselves. The best way to ensure stability is in alerting the people and the patriotic government to the dangers and in taking all preparations to foil the plots. Above all stability can be ensured through solidarity among: the people, the government, the Army and all patriotic forces.

Sunday, 18-10-1959

A Dishonourable Task Undertaken by Nasser in the Interests of Imperialism and Zionism

EACH passing day carries with it further evidence of Nasser's increasing efforts to come to terms with Israel in accordance with the imperialist plan of liquidating the entire Palestine question to the advantage of Israel and the imperialist states. Nasser's new task came after the failure of many attempts undertaken previously by

es-Said, Abdul Iah, Husein and other traitors and in the wake of the Hammarskjöld plan approved by Nasser and rejected by the Arab people and by Iraq and Lebanon at the recent Beirut meeting.

The imperialists who failed in their overt designs to liquidate the Palestine question through their notorious agents and even through men of the State Department, are now giving this assignment to a person they imagine to be the undisputed pioneer of Arab nationalism. The new attempt consists of an agreement between the two "sovereign" states of UAR and Israel about some domestic issues; these issues are the passage of ships to and from Israel against Israel's pledge to desist from frontier provocations and to implement the UN resolutions on Palestine.

The Burmese Prime Minister, who visited both Cairo and Tel-Aviv had also paved the way for this step and obtained informal agreements.

Following the Burmese Mediation between Nasser and Ben Gurion, Nasser submitted a new proposal in a statement to the director of the American A.P. Office expressing his readiness to permit Israel to use the Suez Canal provided the UN resolutions on Palestine are implemented. In order to give the impression that the proposal originated from Cairo and not Washington, Al-Akhbar (Egyptian daily) published a report circulated by the Middle East News Agency (also Egyptian) to the effect that the United States and UN were giving serious considerations to Nasser's proposal of forming a Committee to implement all UN resolutions on Palestine.

Along with these preliminaries, Nasser, Husein and Saud are going ahead with their efforts for a rapprochement and joint meetings.

From all this it appears that Nasser is undertaking to Arabise or Egyptianise the imperialist plan of liquidating the Palestine question in a manner that would make it appear that he is sacrificing Egypt's rights and interests for the sake of Palestine.

Although the Arab peoples do not need to be alerted to the conspiratorial nature of this Nasserite "sacrifice", the imperialist circles in Washington have betrayed the plan by hastily welcoming the plan and describing it as a positive proposal coming from No. one Arab Spokesman.

The motive behind Nasser's attempt to come to terms with Israel is the same and his compromising attitude with the imperialists on the Algerian question and the same as the motives behind his conspiracies against Iraq and his attitude towards the whole of the Arab Liberation Movement. In all these cases Nasser is acting as the stooge of imperialism, particularly American. But in plotting against Iraq he is also motivated by his designs on our Republic; it is these designs that are leading him to compromise on the Algerian issue, to come to terms with Israel and to stand against the Arab liberation movement and in support of imperialism.

Monday, 19-10-1959.

Why Do the Enemies of the Republic Resort to Assassination and Plotting?

THE enemies of the Republic, namely imperialism, UAR rulers, feudalism and their stooges, never desisted from plotting against our Republic and Leader; without exaggeration, the intervals between one plot and the other were used for preparation for the next plot. The enemies of the Republic, steered by imperialism, could find no other way to restore the old system except through conspiring. The latest conspiracy was associated, as shown by concrete evidence, more than the others with the activities of imperialist circles such as the Central Treaty Organisation (formerly Baghdad Pact) the rapprochement among the reactionary Arab rulers and their impudent inquiry about the Leader surviving to see the end of the Interim Period. It should not be forgotten that the negotiations with Oil Companies have prior to the plot become more complicated and were combined with a vicious campaign, which cannot be dissociated from the conspiracy, against Iraq's financial position in order to spread pessimism among the various popular circles. The fact that some previously nationalist groups were used in this conspiracy does not mean that these are the instigators of the plot. Even the UAR's rulers are only the instruments and junior partners of the imperialist circles. Imperialism cannot dream of regaining Iraq through legitimate means and has no alternative but to attempt to overthrow the government by intrigues coupled with violence.

Imperialism has partly succeeded in creating a split in the national ranks and in shaking the solidarity between the people and Government; it found in this the most opportune moment to deliver its blow. Any apparent haste in the conspiracy is due to the fact of the near expiry of the Transition Period which means the legalisation of parties, election of the Founding Assembly representing the people and the sovereignty of the nation, and hence it means the consolidation of the Republic. In addition imperialism found in Abdul Karim a bitter uncompromising and undaunted enemy.

The loyal forces tie their destiny to that of the democratic development of our Republic through educating, convincing and consulting the people. Whilst the hostile forces cannot hope to win the confidence of the people and hence can only resort to conspiring and armed mutinies making use of adventurers and parasites.

History tells us that when the reaction loses its privileges, even if through legal means such as election, it does not hesitate to use the most violent means to regain its power and deprive the people from the chance of development towards freedom and progress.

To identify the plotters, and we do not mean the gangsters who carried out the actual crime, we

should look for the groups who have lost their privileges through July 14th Revolution. These are imperialism, reaction, feudalism, covetous circles and their agents.

Our Republic has the strength and possibility to consolidate itself if it can identify the hostile forces and distinguish the loyal forces and unite the latter under the leadership of Abdul Karim Qassim.

Tuesday, 20-10-1959

The People Know Who Is Directing Fire At Their Republic.

I N an article by John Kimche, in the London Sunday Express about the latest plot against our Republic, the paper tried to give the plot the outlook of an internal Arab strife and to exonerate imperialism, especially British, from it. But our people have learnt much about the methods of imperialism and are no longer deceived by such claims that exonerate imperialism which utilises local reaction as instruments for the carrying out of their plots against liberated countries. The writer reviewed the Nasser-Saud meetings and the understanding between Nasser and Husein as though these were the real culprits, and placed some of the responsibility on the Americans and not the British; he wrote about the concentration of UAR and Jordanian troops on the Iraqi frontiers in readiness for intervention in case the plot succeeds, again as though the Jordanian troops could move without British consent. The writer even went as far as alleging that it was Comrade Bagdash's anti-Nasser speech on the occasion of the celebration of the Chinese National Day that convinced Nasser-Husein of the impossibility of armed intervention and hence they resorted to assassination as an alternative and as one of its links.

Our people know that any external aggression will not find our Republic single-handed as long as we have the support of a formidable world forces. They know that the battle is not that of Qassim versus Nasser, as is alleged by imperialist papers, but of a liberated Republic against imperialism and its junior partners among the reactionary Arab rulers, feudalists and their stooges.

The objective is to overthrow our Republic and recapture Iraq and not Nasser and Hussein's desire to combat an alleged communist menace. Prior to the latest plot—a period characterised by the intensification of the danger of reaction—the communists were the target to a vicious campaign and for the first time all the enemies of the Republic were able to unite in reactionary groupings under the cover of combatting communism. No one in Iraq could believe that there existed a communist danger threatening the oil privileges or the reactionary Arab rulers behind the borders.

Assassination cannot determine the destiny of our Republic as long as the people, Army and Government are united and focussing their attention

on their main enemy, namely imperialism which still possesses many interests and a large fifth column in our country. Imperialism is trying in vain to divert our attention to its junior partners among the reactionary Arab rulers and this or that local group who have fallen to the extent of conspiring against our Republic; we have thousand and one evidence that imperialism is the real culprit and not merely the director or instigator of the plot.

Wednesday, 21-10-1959

A New Evidence . . . And a New Chance

IMPERIALISM remains and will continue to be the basic enemy of our Republic and its achievements and of the Arab Liberation Movement in general; for the July 14th Revolution as well as the armed struggle waged in various Arab countries were and still are directed against imperialist exploitation and schemes. Every attempt to mask this fact and divert attention onto imaginary or secondary enemies is no more than an imperialist intrigue.

In trying to divert attention away from its crimes, imperialism follows various means in order to distort facts and mislead public opinion; as much as it can it tries not to come in the forefront and to find agents to carry out its role. One of the most dangerous examples to these attempts is plotting against our Republic; for the July 14th Revolution has dealt a severe blow to the imperialist control and plans not only in Iraq but in the Middle and Near East. Our Republic was and remains a thorn in the side of the imperialists. Hence these circles tried various means of pressure, threats and psychological warfare by landing their troops in Jordan and Lebanon to destroy our Republic; but they failed thanks to the firm stand of the government headed by Abdul Karim Qassim to the vigilance of our people and their readiness to defend their Republic and thanks to the friendly states headed by the Soviet Union and People's China. Ever since this experience, imperialism tried to give their plans an 'Arab Nationalist', or 'Religious' outlook; they estimated that the best man to undertake the job is Nasser with whom they share the desire to get rid of our liberated democratic republic through annexing it as a new Province of "Vital Field" to the Egyptian monopolies. Nasser calculated that the best slogan to cover up his attempt is that of "Arab Unity". These new attempts were carried out once through Abdul Salam Arif, another time through tribal disturbances" under al-Gailani, a third time through armed mutiny under al-Shawaf, a fourth time through provocations and attacks on Parades of July 14th celebrations and lastly through the attempted assassination of Abdul Karim Qassim.

This crime, with its imperialist content and "Arab" outlook is another evidence that conspiring against our Republic is in no way a nationalist str-

uggle aiming at Arab Unity; it is a question of Arab instruments carrying out imperialist designs, mainly for the interests of imperialist circles and only secondarily for the interests of the Egyptian monopolies. Here we must not forget the innocent nationalist group who are still confused about the conspiring against our national liberation in the name of nationalism; the conspiring against one of the bastions of our Arab Liberation Movement under the name of "Unity". But the latest conspiracy in which the imperialist fingerprints are clearer than ever has given this group a new chance to reconsider their past attitude towards those who undertook to carry out and Arabise the imperialist plans.

Sunday, 25-10-1959

The Recent Measures in Syria and their Relation With the Plotting on the Iraqi Republic:

ALTHOUGH the measures which were taken by Nasser in Syria by appointing Abdul Hakim Amer as an absolute ruler, might seem to some people as abnormal and strange, yet they are in fact quite expected and they are logical in view of the nature of the present rule in oppressed sister Syria and by comparison with the insistence to proceed in the path of plotting on our Republic.

The first thing that comes across one's mind in explaining this fascist aggressive measure, is the total failure with which the "unity" ended; that unity which was realised through a way other than the normal way for unity between two fraternal countries; the way of unity from above, the way of decrees. The unity was realised against the fundamental rights of the Syrian people from various classes—workers, peasants, craftsmen, free intelligentsia and the national bourgeoisie both industrial and mercantile.

Undoubtedly the failure with which the "unity" ended and the resulting deterioration in the material situation in Syria, the popular resistance which resulted from that against dictatorship and the fascist repression of the people to force them to surrender and submit, are among the basic factors which impelled Nasser to take these measures. But we regard that what made Nasser dispatch Abdul Hakim Amer in this hasty manner and in this circumstance in particular goes beyond the question of the crisis of rule, the crisis of the general situation in Syria and the intensification of the "danger" of the oppressed Syrian people on their tyrant rulers. We see that these measures are essential part of the imperialist-Nasserist reactionary plotting on our Republic. We also see that these measures have the closest links with the session of the Central Treaty Organisation which was held in Washington few days ago and with the recent activities of the U.S. interventionists in Turkey.

On this occasion, we recall the following facts for memory:

Abdul Hakim Amer has arrived Latakia, Syria, suddenly the day following the attempt of assassin-

ating Premier Qassim. A large flock of U.S. aircraft arrived to Anjelia military Airbase near Atna in Turkey. The Turkish newspaper, "Aqsham" said that the arrival of the flock of the equipped and armed bombers and air-fighters was linked with the recent events in Iraq. "Millat" newspaper of Turkey reported that as soon as the report of attack on major General Qassim in Iraq was received, a flock of U.S. military aircraft landed in the military Air base of Anjelia. Those aircraft belonged to airbases in Italy.

The Foreign Minister of Pakistan stated on his way back from Washington that the session of the Cento which was held in Washington has discussed the developments in Iraq.

Furthermore, the Daily Express reported that measures were taken recently to expand the barracks in Deir el-Zour (in Syria), and were reinforced by an armoured force. The diplomats were informed to regard the area of Deir el-Zour as a banned area.

In addition to all that, the Iraqi Government received information before the treacherous attack that a military brigade from the Army of the UAR was transferred near to the Iraqi borders. The Iraqi Government received, as Maj-Gen. Ahmad Saleh al-Abdi declared, information on hostile activities across the borders such as the training of volunteers, plotters and traitors. The Iraqi authorities had actually arrested a Syrian infiltrator carrying an amount of explosives.

If we reviewed the known newspapers which are published here and repeat the contents of the broadcasts made by Nasser's public and clandestine radios and whose articles are in turn broadcasted by those radios. If we recall the identities of the traitors who carried the sub-machine guns in Rashid Street, the identities of those who surround them, their teachers, the ones who are coscealing them and the ones who are keeping silent about them. If we do that, it will very evidently manifest the threads which link those who carried the submachine guns and the ones who surround them, with the infiltrators, the activities across the borders, the concentration of military troops, the expansion of barracks in Deir el-Zour, the declaration of Deir el-Zour area as banned one, the sudden arrival of Abdul Hakim Amer the day that followed the failure of the conspiracy, the appointment of Amer as the absolute ruler on Syria with the movement of the U.S. aircraft in Turkey and with the meeting of Cento in Washington.

Therefore, in spite of the close connection of the recent measures in Syria with the internal crisis which sweeps Nasser's rule over the Syrian people, but they are in our opinion of fundamental connection with the plotting on the Iraqi Republic.

Thus, in view of this critical situation, we see that the situation calls on the patriotic Government

to heighten their vigilance, increase their guard on the borders and increase their readiness all over the country and the areas of the border especially the counties of Mosul and Ramadi. Ramadi, the county which al-Hurriya newspaper challenged one of its citizens two days before the treacherous attempt on the life of the Premier, if he could set foot on the area of that county since it was a "closed county for them."

We also think that our Government should not be silent towards the provocations taking place on the border since these conspiratorial measures are of the closest links with the imperialist circles. Thus the safeguarding of the Republic necessitates the handling of the problem on both Arab and International levels.

Monday, 20-10-1959

AFEW days ago the Central Treaty Organisation held its session in Washington and the foreign Minister of Pakistan declared, after the end of the session that they "discussed the situation in Iraq".

A few days, too, the breach between Nasser, Husain and Saud was healed and contacts and talks were conducted among them. After that Abdul Hakim Amers regime set out concentrating troops and tribes on the Iraqi borders; the chorus of Samarra, Sawwaf and the rest of the traitors rose in a hysterical campaign against the Iraqi Republic, its leader and accomplishments. During their poisonous campaigns they did not attempt to conceal the criminal scheme engineered against Iraq.

In addition, Hussain's government concentrated its troops on our borders.

Before that, flights of US military aircraft landed and took up positions in Turkey.

It was reported that troops are being concentrated on the side of our borders and the chance provided for infiltration and the smuggling of arms.

Recently well-known newspapers which hide themselves behind the slogans of anti-communism, foremost among which is al-Hurriya, have undertaken the task of calling "all enemies of communism to unite". Al-Hurriya indicated the quarters which called for this unity, showing the "importance" of collaboration with imperialism to serve the awaited "aim"? In its call it said: "The enemies of communism meet with imperialism. What is in that, imperialism is an enemy of communism and so are we... All of us meet in defending God".

In the course of these meetings, gatherings and concentrations and the campaign of the hired press abroad and at home, the criminals attempted the vile attack on leader Qassim but failed to assassinate him as they have failed till now to fulfil their conspiratorial plan against Iraq, though they are still trying to carry it out through their criminal

endeavours from across the borders.

Observation of all these events not only reveals the extent of the hatred which is harboured by the enemies of our Republic and the enemies of the Arab liberation movement in general; not only reveals the enormity of the conspiracy, but also reveals and confirms once again that in the question of conspiring against the Iraqi Republic and the Arab liberation movement the schemes were and are drawn up by the imperialist circles in the first place. As for the covetous agents, they are given the task of execution in order to put an "Arab dress" on the "imperialist" scheme. Therefore we say the concentrations and the entire conspiracy are essentially of imperialist making.

The reasons which impel them to dress the imperialist plots in an Arab garb are obviously due to the immense difficulties which confront direct foreign intervention in the first place; secondly to facilitate and conceal the aim of the covetous circles and thirdly to cover up the essence of the activity of the agents and the hirelings and to facilitate deception of those who could be deceived inside Iraq.

If the seriousness of this conspiracy and the numeration of the criminal firmness in order to face it and crush it, then the question of the concentrations on the border requires to be exposed and condemned internationally without delay, as we have explained in the last two days. As far as the internal situation is concerned, it requires speedy elimination of the possibilities of carrying out any subversive act and the laying of hands on the agents who are getting ready to perform their tasks at the required moments. In our view the firm and speedy measures which the present situation dictates should not be confined to the investigation of the direct executors of the criminal attack on the leader Qassim and their partners in the crime. If an investigation and juridical measures are needed to take their course in this case in order to preserve justice, then the blocking of the way of the great conspiracy requires caution and alertness and the taking of every measure that foils the conspiracy and nips it in the bud.

Tuesday, 27-10-1959

THE local and Arab press and various radios have reported mounting news of threats made by the ruling circles in the UAR and Jordan, the circles of the Central Treaty Organisation, threats made at the same time as military measures on our boundaries with Syria and Jordan. All of which we pointed out in our newspaper yesterday and the day before yesterday and which was substantiated by further new reports. Apart from this, malicious rumours are being spread here and there in the aim of spreading confusion, anxiety and rupture among the sons of the people.

Naturally we do not want to talk haphazardly denying this report or that and this rumour or the

other and then arrive at a situation which reduces the vigilance of the sons of the Republic and reduces their zeal and readiness to sacrifice in defending the gains of the revolution and its heroic leadership.

The imperialists and their partners the rulers of the UAR have accustomed us to the fact that they do not spare any effort nor neglect any opportunity without exerting consistent and steadfast efforts to create difficulties for our Republic and to undermine it, in addition to attempting to subvert it in order to restore the age darkness, slavery and colonialism. They have also made us accustomed before that to their always coupling where efforts with a wave of rumours, lies and slanders, which always were concentrated in the direction of instigating the patriotic forces one against the other, spreading resentment and shrinking among the masses, as well as rehabilitating the reactionary cliques and their ideas and activities.

The popular masses and all the patriotic forces are today in the position of experts in imperialist intrigues, conspiracies and methods and their awareness of what is going on around them has become highly sensitive and sharp. Apart from that they are the same as they were before when they brought defeat and shame to the successive hostile conspiracies... they have a high degree of morality and readiness to sacrifice in defending the Republic and the leadership of Qassim. That is because they have tasted freedom after long years of terror and slavery and because they realise full well what a black fate awaits them if they fail to perform their duty in rallying around the patriotic Government and struggling against the enemies of the republican system.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

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Writers' Celebration

THE Iraqi Writers' Association is preparing a special gathering on the day after the Premier leaves hospital. The gathering is to celebrate the Premier's safety, after the attempt on his life; among those who will take part in this celebration are Dr. al-Samir, the Minister of Guidance; Sayid M. M. al-Jawahiri, President of the Journalists' Association and other writers, poets and educational personalities.

Rumanian Pavilion

THE Pavilion of the Exhibition of the Rumanian People's Republic to be opened on November 12th, is now being built. The metallic removable structure is especially designed for hot regions. Inside the Pavilion there will be shown a great part of the products made today by Rumania; besides the exhibits there will be pictures illustrating Rumanian landscapes and aspects from Rumanian factories.

Today, following the shattering of the spear of the fourth conspiracy as a result of the attempt to assassinate the faithful leader, the hostile circles both abroad and at home are trying to exploit the circumstances with which they paved the way for the conspiracy and to use the failure itself as an excuse for making the situation in the country look like one of confusion and rupture and that of the Republic as a weak one and then to spring up with all their forces to cause a change in the country relying on the relief and assistance of the imperialists and the covetous circles.

The mean attempt contains more than one lesson and implication both for the people and for the enemies. Just the enemies of the people are trying to benefit from it to continue their plotting and aggression, the people and their patriotic Government will undoubtedly benefit from it in filling the gaps through which the enemies of the people infiltrated in the ideological, political and armed battles which the country encountered recently. To the extent that we benefit from these lessons, will depend many things; it will determine the elimination of the enemies of the people and their foul conspiracies. As the enemies are working for the division of the ranks of the people and the isolation of the people from the Government and its revolutionary leadership, every noble force must work to close and cement the ranks of the patriotic forces and strengthen the upsurge of the people, their rallying around the government and the leadership of Qassim and in isolating the enemies of the people, the conspirators, as well as crushing them with the force of iron.

We say frankly to all the agents, and behind them the masters and the masters of the masters from behind the oceans, that some of what they have achieved as a prelude to subverting the Republic and their attempt on the life of the leader of the country will once again recoil against them and their cunning aspirations and dreams. The Iraqi people are the same as they were before, as they were when they made the enemies taste the peoples anger; and leader Qassim is the same as he was, the revolutionary who led 14th July Revolution that overthrew in the twinkling of an eye a throne and a system which the imperialists worked for years to preserve. The Iraqi Republic is the same as it was, erect mountain and the guiding light for the militant Arab peoples. The methods of the gangs which are working in the dark shall never succeed, nor will the plans which the disguised and exposed agents are trying out, nor will the threats of those who dream of invasions, have the slightest effect on the unshakeable resolution of our heroic young Republic.

The ranks of the people and the Army will be more closed in the fire of struggle, and rally more around the leadership of Qassim. The agents will only taste the worst if they dare to proceed with the execution of their dreams. They will not meet a bitter end than that of Shawaf, Tabagchali, Abdul Salam Arif and other traitors and agents. The covetous circles who are dreading of invasion will but add another unsuccessful conspiracy to their record of dirty plots. Thanks to the vigilance and preparedness of our valiant Army and great people, thanks to the revolutionary leadership Qassim and the mighty solidarity of the Arab and friendly peoples.

